**September 6th, 2019**

[Rockridge Secondary School website](http://westvancouverschools.ca/rockridge-secondary/)

[WV School District Website](http://westvancouverschools.ca/)

[Principal's Blog](https://westvancouverschools.ca/rockridge-secondary/developing-m-shaped-people/)

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| **CALENDAR UPDATE** |
| Sept | Event |
| 9 | International Student’s Math Placement Test @ 3:00 pm in W110 |
| 10 | SCHOOL PHOTO DAY |
| 10 | 6:00-6:45 pm Grade 8 Parent Information Evening in Player’s Hall  |
| 10 | 6:00-6:45 pm Grade 10 Parent Information Evening in the Learning Commons |
| 10 | 7:00-8:00 pm Grade 12 Parent Information Evening in Player’s Hall |
| 13 | Grade 8 Students Field Trip – CRIPPEN COMARADERIE - 8:30-3:30 |

**MINISTRY OF EDUCATION LETTER TO PARENTS/GUARDIANS**

[**http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/bulletin/20190830/letter-to-parents-back-to-school-2019.pdf**](http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/bulletin/20190830/letter-to-parents-back-to-school-2019.pdf)

**SCHOOL PHOTO DAY IS COMING - Tuesday September 10th 2019**

GradsBC, our official school photographer, will be bringing their team of professionals to photograph ALL students on Tuesday September 10th. They will be setting up their portable studios in the school that morning. The images taken that day will be used for ID cards, yearbook and student files. You will also have the option to order prints and digital files once the online gallery goes live by using your student ID number to access your personal gallery page.

* It's different! GradsBC will be using a new style of "WINDOW" lighting that is very flattering. The background is a lovely deep blue colour, so choose clothing that is complimentary.
* WOW! You can expect images to be ready to view in 3 days by using your student ID number to access your personal gallery page.
* Don't miss it Grade 12's! You also need to attend to be photographed for your ID card. Information regarding Cap and Gown photos will be distributed that day.

Any questions please visit [https://gradsbc.com/frequently-asked-questions/](https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__gradsbc.com_frequently-2Dasked-2Dquestions_&d=DwMFaQ&c=IjnBivVn_CKC8WAS_9C6bQ&r=k_k-eZZJyYHUvGH7cqmDSyxse7PKjyiYHeDLrr0IHwA&m=W9XkAIuuTwjVUFSMQMlEXPT50OoGj-OBb94Hxjy5dao&s=qBEwNz4OZbLpj4zxUosLnj0_Y7tajpY1qoJ39XKiSZs&e=)

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**ART DEPARTMENT – REMINDER:**

Did you leave your art or sketchbook in the art room at the end of last year? ALL work from last year must be picked up by Monday! THIS Monday Sept 9th. IF you are a returning art student, please collect your work and store it on your art shelf.

**OPTIONAL ACCIDENT INSURANCE FOR FAMILIES**

Each year the school district reminds families that they have the option to purchase insurance coverage against accidental injury, unexpected medical expenses and critical illness. One option is *The Family Accident Reimbursement Plan (FARP) provided by Industrial Alliance*. This voluntary plan provides coverage for students and their families against accidental injury, unexpected medical expenses and critical illness. As always, families are encouraged to do their due diligence when choosing a provider. Learn more here: [https://www.solutionsinsurance.com/aonbc](https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__www.solutionsinsurance.com_aonbc&d=DwMFAg&c=IjnBivVn_CKC8WAS_9C6bQ&r=56Tv-cVdUwrM-wIoogH2JOYn0gE6euF7L02ZlJBWpWs&m=gufggvuHY9s6vuqR7vxAt-gxTTab-VkAaOPguoElSpM&s=cCIJUpVAZDWXYNkMbE1UdEBc8iqYJSCwKxOsQyh-5L0&e=)

 or contact

Phone: 1.800.266.5667

Email: solutions@ia.ca

**STUDENT EMERGENCY RELEASE FORMS**

Student Release Forms have been distributed to students in their homeroom.  We ask that parents complete and return forms to the school to complete our Emergency Preparedness plan.

**DISTRICT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FORMS**

We ask that parents and guardians please complete the District Policies and Procedures Forms electronically, which are found on the school website at:

<https://eforms.sd45.bc.ca/Account/Login?rr=Form/PandP>

 These forms include the following:

* Student Code of Conduct and Discipline
* Student Verification
* District Network and Internet Appropriate Use
* Privately Owned Electronic Devices Appropriate Use
* Use of Website Applications Outside British Columbia - Parental Consent
* Media, Digital Media, and Video Release - Parental Consent
* Community Activities Release Parental Consent
* Consent of Release Permission
* Google Apps for Education Consent
* B.C. School Fruit and Vegetable Nutritional Program

**IMPORTANT - CONSENT FOR COMMERCIAL MESSAGES**

Canada's Anti-Spam Legislation came into force on July 1, 2014. As a result, the West Vancouver Board of Education would like your consent to send you newsletters, announcements and other electronic messages that may contain promotions, including information on field trips, fundraising, community events or programs, yearbooks, student pictures, optional educational programming, event tickets or similar offers. If you wish to receive commercial communications from the district and school, please enter your preferences at <http://westvancouverschools.ca/resources/parents/create-an-account>

to subscribe. You may also use this link to change your preferences.

You may withdraw your consent at any time here, but please note that this will remove your email address from all school and district messages that may have a commercial component. You will continue to receive emergency and operational information as required: <http://westvancouverschools.us7.list-manage.com/unsubscribe?u=2f5837d557969d5c2fb35dc88&id=b9fc8575c1>